FIRST PRELIMINARY ROUND — OCEANIA
1978 F.I.F.A. WORLD CUP

AUSTRALIA
v.
NEW ZEALAND

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

20 CENTS

Played at the Sydney Cricket Ground, Sunday, 27th March, 1977. Kick-off 3.00p.m.

OFFICIAL AUSTRALIAN SQUAD WORLD CUP FIJI TOUR

Back Row (left to right): Peter Van Ryn *(Physiotherapist)*, Atti Abonyi, Murray Barnes, Peter Ollerton, Todd Clarke, Allan Maher, John Kosmina, Gary Marocchi, Col Bennett, Jimmy Shoulder *(National Coach)*.

Front Row (left to right): Harry Williams, John Nyskohus, George Harris, Peter Wilson *(Captain)*, Agenor Muniz, Jimmy Rooney, Peter Stone, Gary Byrne, David Harding.

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MESSAGE FROM A.S.F. PRESIDENT

Australia has commenced the long journey which could lead to the Finals of the 1978 World Cup competition to be held in the Argentine. Having won the two matches against Taiwan, victory over New Zealand is essential for Australia to win its section of the World Cup elimination matches, and thus meet the winners of the four other sections in Asia to decide the representative of Asia and Oceania in the Finals in the Argentine.

The match today and the match to follow within a few days in New Zealand are matches that Australia must win.

I have confidence that Australia's World Cup squad, ably led by Peter Wilson and coached by Jim Shoulder, will, as has been the case at all times when Australia's international prestige has been at stake in a vital match, raise their game to the standard necessary to attain victory. On the other hand, we do welcome our New Zealand friends from across the Tasman and will be the first to congratulate them if in fact they were the better team on the day.

On behalf of my Executive and all soccer followers, I thank the players, the captain, the coach and the other officials who have assisted in Australia's World Cup preparation, for their efforts and their dedication.

Sir Arthur George
President

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL TEAM — RESULTS OF RECENT INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

Australia	versus U.S.S.R.	in Perth	0 : 0
Australia	versus U.S.S.R.	in Adelaide	0 : 3
Australia	versus U.S.S.R.	in Melbourne	1 : 2
Australia	versus U.S.S.R.	in Brisbane	0 : 0
Australia	versus U.S.S.R.	in Sydney	2 : 3
Australia	versus Velez Mostar	in Sydney	2 : 2
Australia	versus New Zealand	in Auckland	1 : 0
Australia	versus New Zealand	in Melbourne	3 : 1
Australia	versus Tottenham Hotspur	in Sydney	2 : 3
Australia	versus Sunderland	in Sydney	3 : 4
Australia	versus Sunderland	in Melbourne	0 : 0
Australia	versus Hearts of Midlothian	in Sydney	2 : 1
Australia	versus Bologna	in Adelaide	3 : 0
Australia	versus Bologna	in Sydney	0 : 0
Australia	versus Hong Kong	in Canberra	0 : 1
Australia	versus Hong Kong	in Gosford	2 : 0
Australia	versus Indonesia	in Jakarta	1 : 1
Australia	versus Singapore	in Singapore	1 : 0
Australia	versus Hong Kong	in Hong Kong	2 : 0
Australia	versus China	in Peking	5 : 4
Australia	versus China	in Canton	2 : 0
Australia	versus Israel	in Tel Aviv	1 : 1
Australia	versus Hamburg SV	in Hamburg	1 : 2
Australia	versus PSV Eindhoven	in Eindhoven	1 : 2
Australia	versus Kassell Baunatel	in Kassell	1 : 1
Australia	versus Sunderland F.C.	in Sunderland	0 : 2
Australia	versus Birmingham City	in Birmingham	1 : 4
Australia	versus Red Star Belgrade	in Sydney	1 : 3
Australia	versus Red Star Belgrade	in Melbourne	1 : 3
Australia	versus Israel	in Melbourne	1 : 1
Australia	versus Israel	in Sydney	1 : 1
Australia	versus Taiwan	in Fiji	3 : 0
Australia	versus Taiwan	in Fiji	2 : 1

NEW ZEALAND

WALLY HUGHES: National Coach and Northern Regional Coach. Played as a full-time professional with Liverpool, Sheffield United, Bradford and Southport. Became an active member of the Liverpool Coaching Assn in 1967 assisting in courses for the Football Association and prior to emigrating to New Zealand in 1973 was employed as Coach for the Cheshire Education Authorities.

PRAVEN JERAM (born 8/11/51): Whilst still relatively young, has played many games for New Zealand. His best form has been for the New Zealand team in previous matches where his tremendous reflexes and anticipation has been an outstanding feature of his game.

KEVIN CURTIN (born 15/6/48): Outstanding goalkeeper who performs very consistently at all levels. Excellent in the air and has compared favourably with any goalkeepers seen in New Zealand.

RON ARMSTRONG (born 8/11/51): Very sound left full-back with many games for New Zealand. Has recently returned from a period overseas where he signed professionally for Chelsea and Aston Villa.

ERIC LESBIREL (born 23/7/51): New to the New Zealand soccer squad. Has considerable experience overseas and was the driving force behind his club's win in the Rothman's League last season.

CLIVE CAMPBELL (born 7/1/52): Although a relative newcomer to New Zealand football is a striker of outstanding ability and with abundant ball skills has the ability to create havoc against any defence.

DAVE TAYLOR (born 26/4/50) : Striker. One of New Zealand's most experienced players who plays football of a consistently high quality. His fast, determined breaks with the football have consistently caused problems to the opposition in international football.

KEITH NELSON (born 18/2/47): Ex Scottish Junior International player now qualified to represent New Zealand. Has played outstanding football up to New Zealand level in the last few years. Very quick player, excellent in the air and on the ground and should provide the fire power of the New Zealand team.

ADRIAN ELRICK (born 29/9/49): Defender. Has consistently represented New Zealand over the last few years. A very fast player who reads situations quickly and can fulfill most positions on the field outstandingly well. Very dangerous when moving forward from defensive positions.

IAN PARK (born 24/5/52): Left full-back. Has also represented New Zealand consistently over the last few years and is "Mr. Steady" of the New Zealand squad. Plays consistently well and has a steadying influence on the side.

TONY SIBLEY (born 29/9/50): Right full-back. One of the most outstanding full-backs to have played for New Zealand in recent years. Extremely fast and quick on recovery and has consistently been one of New Zealand's outstanding defensive players.

BRIAN TURNER (born 31/7/50): At the age of 26 has played more games for New Zealand than any other player, having appeared 49 times. First represented New Zealand at the young age of 16 on a tour to Fiji. Outstanding mid-field player who has the ability to control the game. In top form would be a key to the New Zealand performance.

Australia VERSUS New Zealand

(1)	Todd Clarke	Kevin Curtin	( )
(2)	George Harris	Praven Jeram	( )
(3)	Peter Wilson	Ron Armstrong	( )
(4)	Colin Bennett	Eric Lesbirel	( )
(5)	Harry Williams	Clive Campbell	( )
(6)	Gary Byrne	Glenn Dods	( )
(7)	Agenor Muniz	John Houghton	( )
(18)	Jimmy Rooney	Kevin Weysmouth	( )
(9)	John Kosmina	Alec Young	( )
(10)	Peter Ollerton	Greg Hough	( )
(11)	Atti Abonyi	Dave Taylor	( )
(12)	David Harding	Keith Nelson	( )
(13)	Peter Stone	Adrian Elrick	( )
(14)	Murray Barnes	Ian Park	( )
(21)	Allan Maher	Tony Sibley	( )
(15)	Garry Marocchi	Steve Sumner	( )
(16)	John Nyskohus	Warren Fleet	( )
(17)	Jim Tansey	Brian Turner	( )

FILL IN THE NUMBERS FOR
THE NEW ZEALAND SQUAD

AUSTRALIA

JIMMY SHOULDER is the National Team Coach and he is also the Assistant Director of Coaching for the Australian Soccer Federation. Mr. Shoulder was appointed Regional Director of Coaching for the Australian Capital Territory in November, 1975, and in April last year he was appointed Coach of the National Team.

He has a wide knowledge of the game, having played as a professional with the famous Sunderland team, and has undertaken many coaching engagements with The Football Association. He is a qualified Full Badge Coach with that Association.

ALLAN MAHER (Marconi, N.S.W.): Goalkeeper. Born 21/7/50. Height 6'1". Weight 11 stone. Australian born. Agile and has good hands. Reserve during the Munich World Cup, has waited patiently to obtain a first team place in the national side. Toured Indonesia with Under 23's. Occupation — maintenance fitter.

PETER WILSON (Western Suburbs, N.S.W.): Defender. Born 15/9/47. Height 6'. Weight 12st.7lb. Australian captain, born in N.E. England and played professionally with Middlesbrough. A resolute defender and fine leader. Was Australia's best player at the World Cup in 1974.

HARRY WILLIAMS (St. George, N.S.W.): Left back. Born 7/5/51. Height 5'9". Weight 10st.7lb. The first Aboriginal to represent Australia. First selected for 1970 World Tour and a member of the World Cup squad in West Germany. A fast-moving attacking full-back often unpredictable but always exciting. Occupation — P.E. Student.

DAVE HARDING (Western Suburbs, N.S.W.): Midfield. Born 14/8/46. Height 5' 10". Weight 12st. Born in Liverpool, England. Migrated in 1968 and a member of the World Cup squad in West Germany. A busy player with a dynamic shot who has scored several vital goals for Australia over the past 12 months. Occupation — Mail Officer.

AGENOR MUNIZ (Hakoah-Eastern Suburbs, N.S.W.): Midfield. Born 24/6/49. Height 5'7". Weight 10st. 7lb. Brazilian born, arriving in Australia in 1971. A brilliant midfield general with the ability to hold the ball under pressure and then release accurate long passes. Made his debut in the 1975 Russian series. Occupation — Gardener.

JIMMY ROONEY (Marconi, N.S.W.): Midfield. Born 10/12/45. Height 5' 6". Weight 10st. 12lb. A very experienced campaigner who performed with great credit in West Germany in 1974. Born in Dundee, Scotland, has played English and Scottish League. He arrived in Australia in 1968. His lack of stature is more than made up for by his skill and tenacity. Team vice-captain. Occupation — Clerk.

JOHN KOSMINA (Polonia, S.A.): Forward. Born 17/8/56. Height 5'10". Weight 11st. 7lb. An exciting forward discovery who made his full international debut in August last year against Hong Kong. Australian born, he is a quick skilful forward with a big future in international football. Occupation — Student.

PETER OLLERTON (South Melbourne, Vic.): Forward. Born 20/5/51. Height 6'1". Weight 13st. 5lb. Born Lancashire, England. Powerful and dangerous striker, a member of the 1974 World Cup squad and a regular scorer for Australia in matches since then. Occupation — Sales Representative.

ATTI ABONYI (South Sydney-Croatia, N.S.W.): Forward. Born 16/8/46. Height 5'9". Weight 10st. 7lb. Hungarian born and migrated to Australia at 11 years. Magnificent striker whose flashes of brilliance have captivated crowds over the years. Played in West Germany in 1974 and once again back in the squad after retiring for a year. Occupation — Tailor.

GARY BYRNE (Marconi, N.S.W.): Midfield. Born 19/7/54. Height 5' 8". Weight 10st. 7lb. English-born arriving in Australia at 12 years of age. Under 23 captain. He made his full international debut against Russia in 1975. A terrier in midfield, excelling in marking and tackling, his attacking game has blossomed over recent matches. Very mobile and has a bright future in international football. Occupation — Survey Draftsman.

COLIN BENNETT (Brisbane Lions, Qld.): Defender. Born 12/9/50. Height 6'1". Weight 13st. 5lb. Australian-born. A powerful, uncompromising defender whose chief talents lie as a destroyer but who is emerging as a fine all-round defender improving with every game. Occupation — Electrician.

GEORGE HARRIS (St. George, N.S.W.): Defender. Born 6/2/49. Height 5'8". Weight 10st. 11lb. Australian-born. Versatile performer who can play either flank or in midfield. Aggressive performer capable of giving nothing less than 100%. Captain of the St. George club and brother-in-law of Doug Utjesenovic. Occupation — School Teacher.

MURRAY BARNES (Hakoah-Eastern Suburbs, N.S.W. Forward. Born 16/1/54. Height 6'1". Weight 11st. 5lb. Australian-born. Another product of the 1975 Under 23 tour making his debut against Russia. Tall, powerful in the air and is quicker than his leisurely style indicates. Has scored several spectacular goals in earlier matches. Occupation — Upholsterer.

TODD CLARKE (Hakoah-Eastern Suburbs, N.S.W.): Goalkeeper. Born 28/4/51. Height 6'. Weight 13st. Australian-born. After touring with the Under 23 team, came into prominence during the Russian series in 1975. Solid and safe and competing fiercely for the first team spot. Now settled in Sydney following his transfer from South Australia. Occupation — Sales Representative.

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